

CHICAGO FANS NOW ARE GETTING THEIR POCKETBOOKS MEASURED FOR THE WORLD SERIES

WHITE SOX ARE WALLOPED BY A'S, BUT GAIN HALF GAME WHEN BOSTON DROPS PAIR OF COMBATS TO DETROIT

Red Sox Seem to Have Cracked Under Strain. Jing Johnson Holds Future Champions to Four Hits and Pitches Best Game of His Career

EVEN in defeat the Chicago White Sox looked like the future American League champions yesterday. The titular appearance was not due to their swell playing or anything like that; but Boston dropped a pair of those crucial games to Detroit and the pale-hose aggregation gained another half game on the runners-up. It looks now as if the Red Sox had given up all hope of playing in the world series. Two defeats in one afternoon don't help things any, especially when the first walloping came after eight errors had been made. If they don't win the pennant, Barry's men will have the honor of setting a season's record for fumbles. The second game was hard fought, Detroit winning by a single score, but that single score was as good as a million. Unless appearances are deceitful, Boston has cracked under the strain and from now on Comiskey will have nothing to worry him but the world series.

However, and be that as it may, Chicago had a rough afternoon at Shibe Park. With Eddie Cicotte in the box, our Athletics walloped the daylight out of his slats and copped the combat by the score of 2 to 1. This was strange and unusual treatment for the White Sox and the players didn't know what to make of it. They are so accustomed to winning ball games and have such respect for their prowess on the ball field that the sudden reverse came like a bolt from a clear sky. But they received a first-class trimming and were lucky to hold it to the slender margin of one run. Amos Strunk gummed things up a couple of times, his worst blunder coming in the seventh. He slammed the ball against the right-field fence for a triple and as only one was out, a score seemed certain. Stuffy McInnis was at bat and Amos took a long lead off the base. Cicotte pitched a low one and quick as a flash Schalk shot the ball to third. Strunk tried to get back, but his foot slipped or something and he was nailed.

STRUNK can be forgiven for this bum play, despite the fact it would have put the game on ice. Amos has not been around to third base for a long time and didn't know how to act when he got there yesterday. However, he came through with a healthy wallop in the ninth which resulted in Palmer's scoring the winning run.

Jing Johnson Pitched Best Game of His Career

THE big, outstanding feature of the fracas was the high-class hurling dished out by Jingling Johnson. The youngster had more stuff than ever before and had the future champions eating out of his hand. For four innings he held them hitless and runless and yielded but one regular hit in nine innings. Four were chalked up against him, but three were just a little bit lucky. Liebold hit one through Palmer's legs and another was stopped by Grover after a hard run. Eddie Collins was awarded a safety when the ball took a bad bound and sailed over White Witt's head and Cicotte lammed a swell single to center. Eddie poked out the only hard-hit ball off Johnson's delivery.

Jing's work was highly gratifying to Connie Mack. The bean manager has been shy on pitching talent all summer and good work in the box even at this late hour helps some. Jackson, Felsch and Gandil were helpless, and a pitcher who can set down this trio of sluggers is going some. Johnson deserved to win the game and the victory no doubt will give him added confidence in his future battles. The only sad feature from a local viewpoint was the terrible work on the bases. Strunk was the principal offender, with two boners to his credit. Before he was caught off third, he fell asleep at first in the fourth inning and was eliminated by Cicotte, Gandil and Weaver. Those who attempted to steal second were nailed by a wide margin, but they persisted in trying to steal despite the fact that Schalk's throwing arm was in great shape.

Still, we can't have everything at the present writing. Connie has the makings of a first-class ball club and it is looking better every day. Palmer does not seem to fit in at third, but the position is new to him and he is bound to improve. Witt is making errors, but he is trying hard and goes after everything. As soon as he quits fighting the ball and gets more confidence in himself he will be a valuable player.

WHEN one of Rowland's outfielders makes an error it is a good one. We have remarked about the throwing arms attached to the outposts and we still believe in them. In the ninth inning Nemo Liebold demonstrated his long-distance throwing ability when he hurled the ball from short right field into the grand stand behind third base. The throw was so good and it traveled so far that Palmer scored from first base, winning the game.

Ping Bodie Shows White Sox How Much They Miss Him

PING BODIE cares no more about winning from the White Sox than the Kaiser does about taking Paris. The rotund left fielder was on the job every minute and insisted on playing a star game. He got but one hit, but it was a sweet one. In the first inning, with Grover on first, the hit-and-run was flashed and Schalk called for a pitch-out. Roy was off for second when the ball neared the plate and Ping threw his bat at the floating pill. He pushed the ball into right for a single and told the Chicago players all about it when he reached first. In the field Bodie accepted three chances, one being a difficult catch on Felsch's liner in the fifth.

Ping is looking better as the season wears. He has lost out most of his excess weight and improved his speed. Instead of a castoff, he has every appearance of a real big leaguer and is up in the big show to stay for a long time. He would have been a great hit to the White Sox this year.

Another player who will bear watching is Jamieson in right field. Jimmy was chased by Washington, but as soon as he joined the Athletics his work improved. He is the only real right fielder Connie has had since the days of Danny Murphy and fills the gap which has long been in evidence. Connie is bolstering the weak spots here and there and soon will have them filled. Then look out for one of those old-time pennant drives.

Mack is trying a new stunt this year and hopes to get a line on his new talent. Each morning a five-inning ball game is played between the regulars and the youngsters and these games are real. Connie keeps his eagle eye on the recruits and passes judgment on them while they are in action. These games will continue throughout the season and Joe Ohl keeps a record of them.

Philadelphia Fans Like Chances of Chicago in World Series

LOCAL baseball fans who follow the fortunes of the Phils and the A's and attend almost every game played in this city seem to favor the White Sox in a short series against the Giants. Back of first base, where some of the boys back their judgment with real money and lots of it, there is a feeling that the prevailing odds will be even money when the teams go to the post.

"I can't see where the Giants have anything on Chicago," said Phil Barr yesterday, and Phil knows better than any one else the betting sentiment in Philadelphia. "Every one around here has figured that such a team has a chance in a short series and if New York is an 8-to-5 favorite, as many believe, there will be so much money wagered on the White Sox that the odds will drop to even. We have had an opportunity to study the players of both clubs and they are similar in many respects. The Giants go in and wallop the ball when behind and throw science to the winds and Chicago does the same thing. Each club is composed of sluggers and the pitching corps of the White Sox is just a shade better than McGraw's. The loss of Herzog will weaken the Giants, but I believe he will be in the series. All of this talk about his being suspended will hammer down the odds on the Giants and the wise ones will try to place their bets. We are not falling for it here, but I would not be surprised if the people out of Chicago will make their team the favorite before the first game.

The first game will be the important one. If the White Sox are played at even, the odds will be 2 to 1 in their favor if they win the opener. The same thing will happen if New York wins. Last year I remember that the Red Sox were 1-to-3 favorites with no takers. I feel sure that the Sox will win, but I don't think I will get better than even money for the first game."

TODAY the National Commission will toss a coin to decide where the first game of the series will be played. In case New York wins, the opening game will be held on Friday, October 5. They will play again on Saturday and then jump to Chicago for a game Sunday. This is the plan at present and railroad men are figuring on a schedule for a special train. It is thought that the teams can leave New York at 8 p. m. Saturday and arrive in Chicago at noon. Of course, if Chicago wins the toss, this will be abandoned.

Robins Can't Score When Pfeffer is Pitching

BIG JEFF PFEFFER is finding life a sad one this season with the Robins. They do everything but win for him. When the Dodgers are not kicking the game away they refuse to score runs and either way Big Jeff is the loser. In his last four starts his mates have failed to tally in three of the games, while in the other they turned in enough runs to last Big Jeff for a month. Starting with his 6-0 struggle against Joe Coeschger which went fourteen innings he found his next work against the Giants and he was touched for six runs, but his mates collected thirteen, and all was well. Then the Robins moved to this city, where Alexander held them scoreless for eleven frames, while Big Jeff yielded one. In his fourth start he was patted against Willie Doak in St. Louis on Monday and while he allowed two runs he was outwitted only two hits and a row of eighths. In thirty-four frames his record failed to deliver a run.

MOVIE OF A MAN IN A PULLMAN WASH ROOM



"Through With Baseball," Is Frank Baker's Threat

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—J. Franklin (Home Run) Baker left the city yesterday for his home in New York, where he has announced that he had been suspended for the balance of the season. Baker, who has been suspended for a full month's pay, declared, "I shall not complete my contract with the New York club, which runs through 1918, unless the club makes good the money it is taking from me through this suspension. As to me, I am a professional and I shall be free to follow my own path."

GIANTS AND WHITE SOX MAY PLAY FOR SOLDIERS

McGraw and Comiskey Agree to Post-World's Series Game for Boys in Khaki

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—John J. McGraw has given his approval to the proposal that the Giants and White Sox play a post-world's series game either at Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., or at some camp in the east. McGraw's acceptance will be subject to the approval of President Harry Hempstead, of the Giants. President Comiskey, of the White Sox, already has approved the plan.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

THAT champions should meet all logical contenders, white or black, is the opinion of Benny Leonard. Although the New York boxer has never aimed in a bout against a colored boxer, he has agreed to meet two sons of Semigambia, Leo Johnson, tomorrow night in New York, and Eddie Dorsey Tuesday night in Buffalo. Not since Jack Johnson knocked out Tommy Burns for the heavyweight title in 1908 has a negro had the chance to box for a championship, but now with Leonard on the light-weight side a renewed era appears in the boxing world. Here's a statement by Leonard brought to Philadelphia by Jack Weinstein, local sportsman:

I never boxed any negro before, but I think a champion should meet all challengers who have shown sufficient class to be regarded as rivals for his title. I don't think a champion should bar any one, regardless of nationality, race or color. Barring any boxer who might prove to be a better man if given a chance is not sportsmanlike. I've noticed that the colleges have negro athletes on their teams. If it is all right for a white college athlete to compete against a black college athlete I guess it is all right for a white champion to give a black champion a chance in the ring. Dixon, Gans and Jeanette were all good enough to fight the best white boxers in their times, and they were a credit to the sport. Black men are good enough to fight for this country in the army. Thinking of that makes me decide to give Leo Johnson the chance to box for the title. If he can beat me I'll take my hat off to him. But I don't expect to let him beat me.

Benny should not have much trouble with Leo, in fact, it would not be a shock if Leonard keeps the negro for the doubtful ten. While Johnson is noted as a defensive boxer, the champion has speed, cleverness and punching ability to beat down Leo's guard. Then, maybe, GOOD-NIGHT!

STRANGE things have happened in the boxing ring, and if Leo Johnson happens to put over one of those "lucky ones," then the lightweight crown will return to the race that was once so ably represented in the ring by Joe Gans.

John Krause, the Nicetown veteran, gets his opportunity to referee himself against Darby Casper, of Smoky Hollow, when they meet in a return bout at the Broadway program follows:

First bout—Batting Travis, Southwark. Second bout—Jack Lesser, Southwark, vs. Young Rip, of Smoky Hollow. Third bout—Mackie Riley, Smoky Hollow, vs. Young Leo, of Smoky Hollow. Semitwo-up—Frankie Williams, Little Italy, vs. Eddie Davis, of Smoky Hollow. Wind-up—Darby Casper, Smoky Hollow, vs. Johnny Krause, Nicetown.

Two boxing shows are on the menu for local fans tomorrow night at the game in the northeastern section of the city, where the reopening of the Cambria A. C. as an attractive white downtown sports well-looked program at the Southern A. C.

Al Wagner, the Crown, finishes his training today in the gymnasium at the Southern McLaughlin, of Smoky Hollow, at the Southern A. C. box is the final number. Other bouts will be between Willie Burns and Jimmy Walsh, Johnny Viagi and Johnny Ritchie, Hughes Burns and Eddie Daley, and Terry Costello and Young Eddie Wagner.

Louisiana is the headliner at the Cambria tomorrow night, opposed by Andy Burns, of Aramingo, Joe J. Jones and Charlie Dwyer, of Port Richmond, are principals for the semi-final bouts. Jimmy Gorman, of Young Hughes, Godwin Walsh vs. Young Tierney and Eddie Flynn vs. Young Hoover.

Billy Koch has been agreed upon as the third man in the line for the Monday night contest between Irish Peter Cline and Willie Gorman. This will be Jackson's hardest test since he knocked out the Red Sox when he knocked out Johnny Dundee in a round.

Johnny Dundee was given the referee's decision after a twelve-round bout at Boston the other night. Dundee was the victor, but the referee was in error in the sixth round.

BALL PLAYERS OF 30 YEARS AGO WERE "PANNED" HARD BY SCRIBES; NOW THEY ARE GENTLY "KIDDED"

Sundry Extracts Show That Diamond Athletes of Other Days Were Wild-Eyed, Probably Made So by Newspaper Provocation

WHAT a difference in baseball writing now and thirty years ago! Nowadays the players are gently kidded. Thirty years ago they were pounded from pillar to post by the zealous scribes—and the writers wrote just what they pleased. They say the athletes thirty years ago were a rough and wild-eyed set. Perhaps they were. If they were not they surely had enough newspaper provocation to make them wild, says a writer in Cincinnati. Here are sundry extracts—names altered out of respect for the glorious dead:

"Why does the Cincinnati club persist in standing by the listless and dissipated Leon Genz? Surely, his ridiculous attempts at pitching, coupled with his attempt to consume all the beer north of the Rhine, should by this time have been dealt with as they deserve."

"I've seen several articles, preparing for a rest in local competition. He is a clever and cunning fellow, but he has been unable to get any opponents. O'Connell gives away to Jack Black, Homer Smith and Jack Rock."

"Sambo Langford, of Dawson, has been promoted to the position of referee in the city. I've noticed that he has been unable to get any opponents. O'Connell gives away to Jack Black, Homer Smith and Jack Rock."

"Frankie McGuire was the winner in a ten-round bout with Hen Hauber, of this city, at the Garden City Club."

"Muggsy Taylor and his protegee, Johnny Tillman, left for New York at noon for the bout with Charlie and Edger. Tillman will weigh in at 140 for the Chicagoans."

"Peter Herman, the bantam champ, is on his way to a return bout with the title-holder, and his manager, Red Walsh. Doc Kutuch of this city, will keep in close touch with the title-holder."

"Tommy Riley will promote bouts at the Non-Paradise A. C. this fall. The old arena will be re-opened and will be used by Andy Burns and Jack McCloskey in the star bout."

"Jimmy Coffey, the New York Italian lightweight, and Young Neil, of Allentown, boxed to a draw at Bethlehem last night."

"Hot Off the Gridiron"

The opening of the Army's football schedule, set for September 29, may be delayed, it was learned today, owing to the inability of the management to secure an opponent.

Despite the warm weather Dr. Roy Mercer started football practice at Swarthmore yesterday, but it was a dry drill. Mercer's men have turned to school—Captain Alby Mercer, Richard Gillette and Homer. The session opens on Wednesday at Haverhill, at Lewistown.

Corroll's football practice will start next Monday afternoon at Allentown. Mercer's men have turned to school—Captain Alby Mercer, Richard Gillette and Homer. The session opens on Wednesday at Haverhill, at Lewistown.

Ewing A. C. football team has organized for the season of 1917. Manager Wyatt and Coach Clark have gathered together a fine line of looking bunch of husky candidates. Games will be played at the following places: Honesdale, Phenixville, Conowingo, and Pottsville. Address: Ewing A. C., 101 North Robinson street, Philadelphia, for games.

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WHEN CICOTTE AND SCHUPP CLASH "MOST MYSTERIOUS MOUND MAN" TITLE WILL GO WITH THE VICTOR

World's Series Game, With Respective League Star on the Slab, Will Decide Baseball Leading Pitching Baffler of 1917 Season

THERE are two world series types who I promise to add considerable zest to the post-season championship. One is Eddie Cicotte, the White Sox star. The other is Ferdinand Schupp, the Giant southpaw.

Whatever the ingredients of the delivery, or what not, Cicotte has a baffling allotment that is thought to be almost unhittable by any club that has ever faced him. American Leaguers say that Cicotte's so-called "shine" has live up to their present promise as bewilderers in the Realm of Swat.

Cicotte's Record Cicotte has at least one record. He is the first major league pitcher in history to face twelve years of campaigning and have his twelfth year stand out as his best. As a rule, pitchers reach their top after three or four years. Their best seasons are to be found within their first eight or ten years. But after their tenth year they rarely ever reach the heights again. Mathewson's best year was in 1908, his eighth campaign. That was his last spin above a thirty-game margin.

But Cicotte, after reaching a point where it was figured that he must be well on the down grade, suddenly steps forward with the best season he has known, and the best pitching in his league. We have heard many number of theories advanced for this. One is that the "shine ball" is responsible. Another is that a freak delivery has come to his help. The facts are that, after padding around for eleven campaigns, the Sox star has suddenly come upon something which has a tendency to leave him in a strictly winning mood.

The Case of Herzog More than a trifle, so far as the Giants are concerned, will depend upon the October condition of Charley Herzog, an ideal field leader, a great ball player under the test and a man to bank upon from start to finish. Herzog has been in poor health for the greater part of the year. He has been in poor physical shape, and with a player of his type there is no understudy in the world to take his place, any more than there could have been found an understudy for Collins or Evers. Herzog rose to his greatest height in the 1912 world series campaign, when he batted .400 and accepted thirty chances without a bobble. But it is a question as to whether over a year, in bad health, can stand up under the test. With Herzog in shape the Giants have a shade the best of the infield argument, but only a shade. With Herzog out, the shade shifts the other way.

"I have a few kopecks," writes a Sox fan, "that even if Eddie Collins doesn't hit .300 this year he will outhit any one man any one cares to name in the series. I mean I'll take Eddie against any other pick."

"Votes for women," remarked Jerry Travers, at the end of his first round with Mrs. Gavin, "may be well enough. But 'votes for women' is another matter. It doesn't get my vote."

Women and Golf We have never seen or heard of an official test made as to just how Miss Mollie Bjurstad or Miss Browne or Mrs. May Sutton Bundy might compare with the leading tennis players of the country. But unless Jerry Travers can play at a phenomenal clip next Saturday at the Garden City Club, New York, it is a wash job.

RACES TODAY At Havre De Grace

Special Race, including a Steeplechase SEPT. 21, 1917, 10 o'clock P. M. Leave Broad Street Station, 12:24 P. M. Arrive Havre De Grace, 12:58 P. M. Admission to Grand Stand and Paddock, \$1.50; Ladies, 50c. First Race, 5:30 P. M.

Farewell White Sox at Shibe Park Today is last chance here to see world's series star. 3 P. M. Look 'em over and make your own record for the season. Don't miss ball-and-hot food at Shibe Park. Fans, do your bit. I thank you.

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